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In re Application of:

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Facilitating the Connection of Tubulars Using a Top

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Dear Sir:

## SUPPLEMENTAL SECOND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 2001

This response is intended to supplement Applicant's Second Response to Office Action Dated September 14, 2001, for which the shortened statutory time period for response was extended two-months to expire on February 14, 2002.

Applicants inadvertently mailed the Second Response without a marked up version of the specification showing all the changes made to a substitute specification





submitted with the Second Response. Accordingly, Applicants enclose herewith the marked up version. Applicants apologize for any inconvenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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